

Huntington Beach Fire Department

Fire Lanes Signage and Markings on Private, Residential, Commercial and Industrial Properties

REQUIREMENTS

The Fire Lane Ordinance for Huntington Beach is a Municipal Code prohibiting the parking of vehicles in designated fire lanes, access ways and roadways. In an effort to eliminate the possibility of life and property loss through blocked or restricted emergency access routes, Huntington Beach has adopted regulations and developed standards for fire lanes, access ways and roadways.

Attached are three (3) approved step-by-step options to identify fire lane access ways. Please select the option that best suits your property profile.

OPTION 1

- Guidelines utilizing sign posting only.

OPTION 2

- Identifies fire lanes by painting red curbs throughout.

OPTION 3

- Addresses properties with no curbs or rolled curbs.

Regardless of the fire lane option selected, **ALL** property entrances must post fire lane enforcement signs.

After completion of fire lane installation, contact the Huntington Beach Fire Department at (714) 536-5411 for an inspection. Upon passing inspection, the property will be added to the parking enforcement list for patrol. Violations will then be issued under the above stated code sections.

NOTE: Sign samples on following pages. Please refer to the Yellow Pages under “Signs” to locate a vendor.

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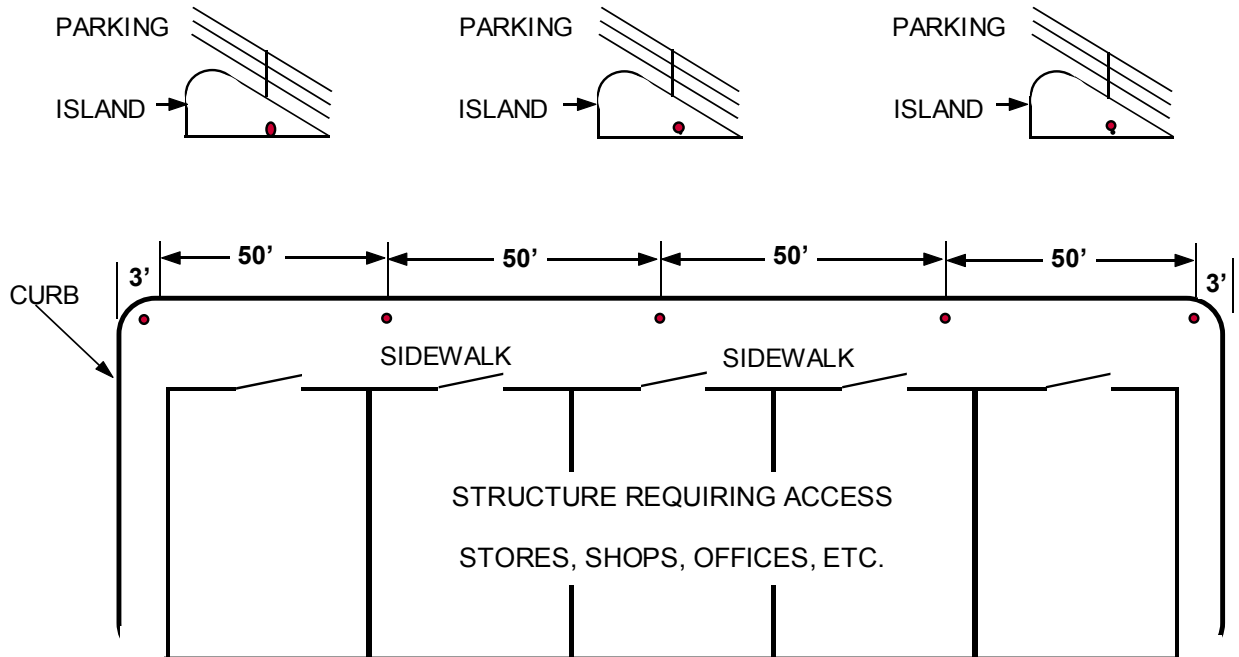
OPTION 1

SIGN POSTING OF PROPERTY

FIRE LANE SIGN LOCATION

- Interior signs (sign #1) are required within 10 feet of each corner.
- Interior signs (sign #1) shall be spaced a maximum of 75 feet apart in residential, and 50 feet apart in commercial and industrial areas.
- In addition, one (1) sign is required for each island adjacent to a fire lane or access road.
- Appropriate entrance sign shall be required at **ALL** entrances. (Refer to fire lane sign examples #2 and #3.)
- All signs are to be maintained by the property owner.
- *Red curbs are NOT required for Option 1.*

● = Sign Location

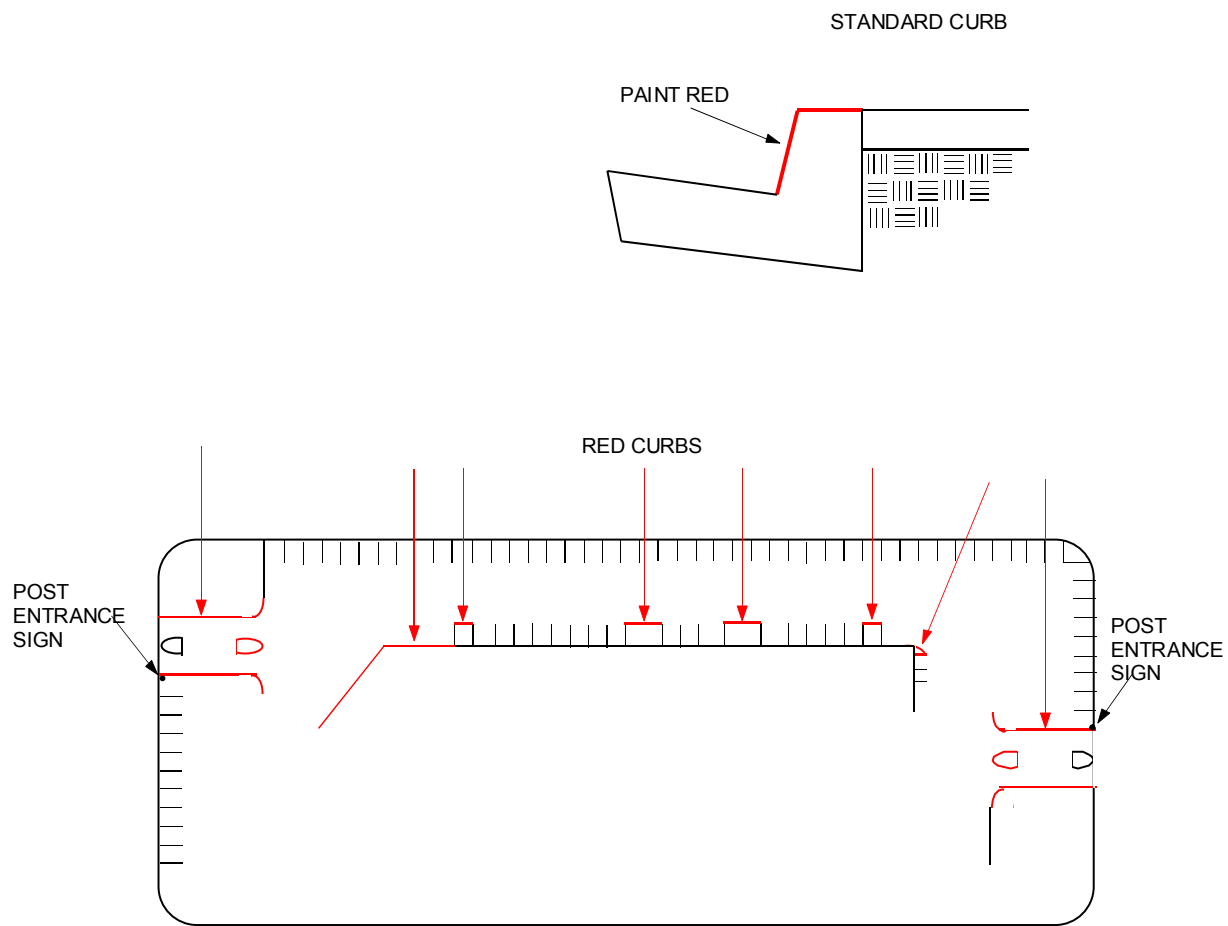


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OPTION 2

RED CURBS WITH ENTRANCE SIGN

- Curbs marking fire lanes are to be painted red with 4 inch white, stenciled letters stating **FIRE LANE**.
- **FIRE LANE** shall be stenciled on the **TOP and FACE** of each curb and spaced 75 feet on center.
- If a section of the curb is less than 25 feet, only one (1) stenciling of **FIRE LANE** is necessary on the **TOP and FACE** of the curb.
- Appropriate entrance signs shall be required at **ALL** Entrances. (Refer to fire lane sign examples #2 and #3.)

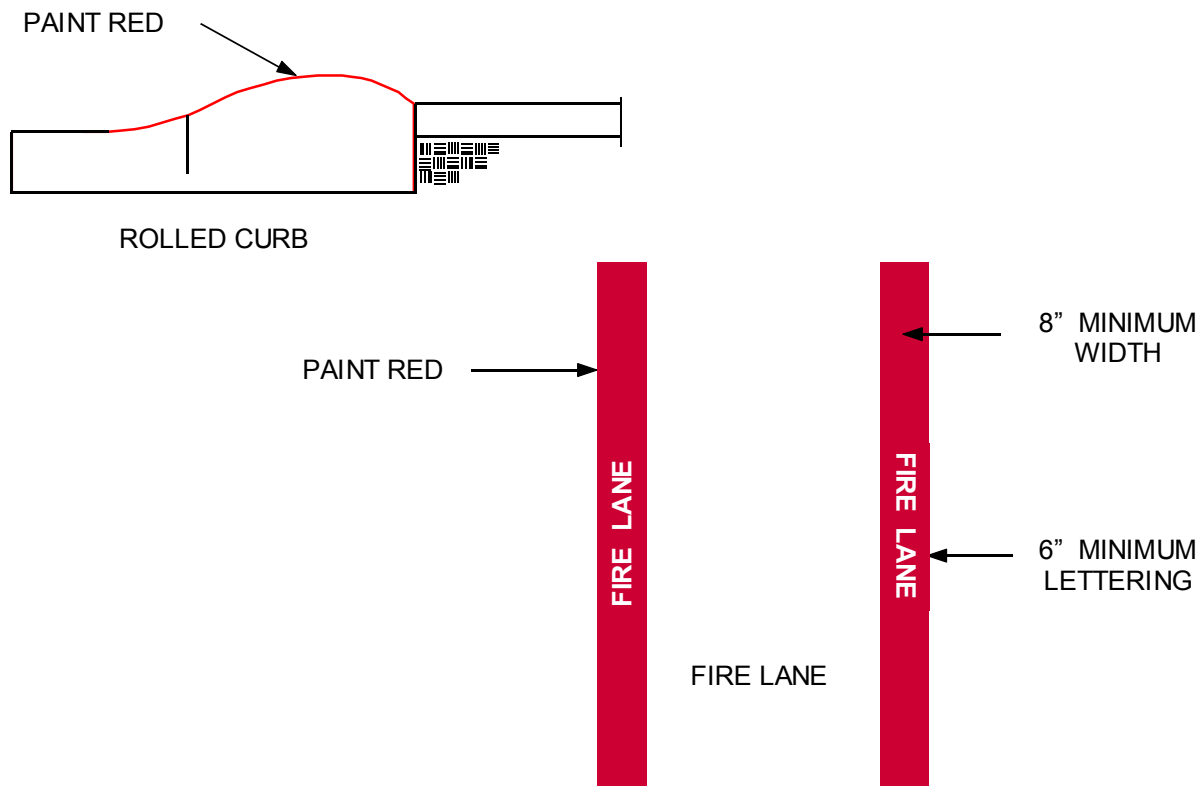


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OPTION 3

NO CURBS OR ROLLED CURBS WITH ENTRANCE SIGN

- Red paint may be applied on the edge of the roadway or atop the rolled portion of a curb.
- The red paint shall be 8 inches in width with **FIRE LANE** stenciled in 6 inch white letters.
- FIRE LANE shall be spaced 75 feet on center.
- If a section of curb is less than 25 feet, only one stenciling of **FIRE LANE** is necessary on the red paint.
- Appropriate entrance sign shall be required at **ALL** entrances. (Refer to fire lane sign examples #2 and #3.)



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FIRE LANE SIGNS

FIRE LANE SIGN (#1)

Interior Signs

12" X 18"

Red Lettering on White Background

Exception: FIRE LANE

White Lettering on Red Background

Not Reflectorized

.063 Gauge



ENTRANCE SIGN (#2)

Used When Marked Stalls Are Provided

18" x 24"

Red Lettering on White Background

Exception: PARK IN MARKED STALLS ONLY

White Lettering on Red Background

Not Reflectorized

.080 Gauge

ENTRANCE SIGN (#3)

Used When No Marked Stalls Are Provided

18" x 24"

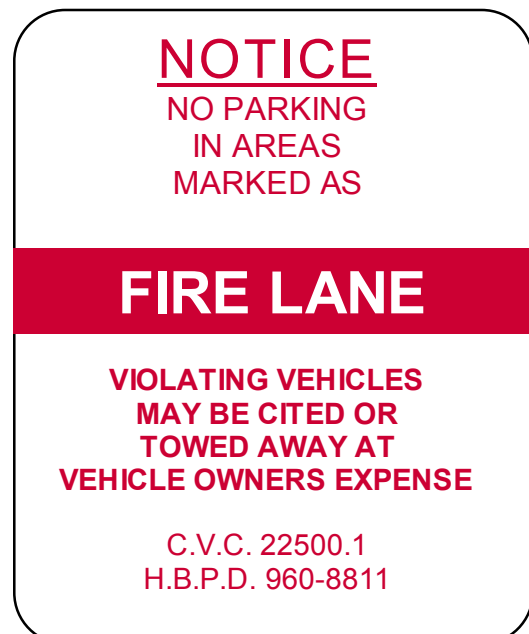
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Exception: FIRE LANE

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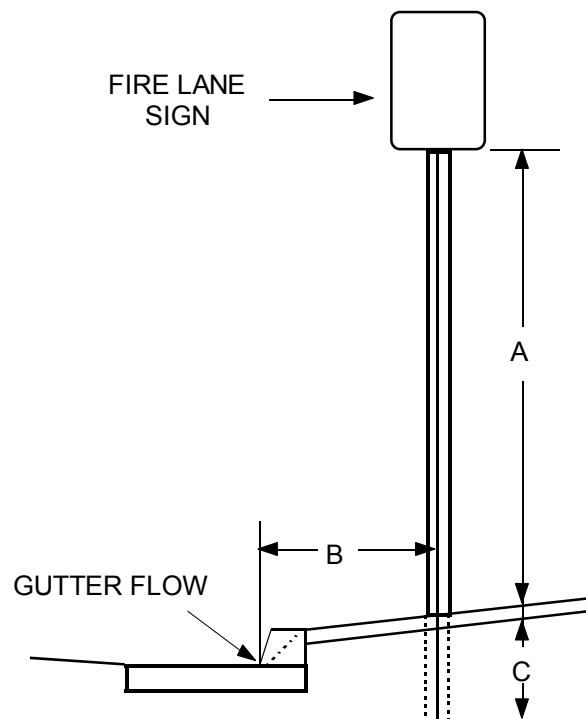
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- A. **INTERIOR SIGNS:** Shall be 7 feet in sidewalk or pedestrian areas, 5 feet in all other areas.
ENTRANCE SIGNS: Shall be 7 feet in sidewalk or pedestrian areas, 3 feet in all other areas.
- B. Shall be 18 inches with standard curb, 24 inches with rolled curb to the center of post.
- C. Shall be 24 inches minimum embedment.

NOTE: Signs may be mounted on existing posts or buildings if the post or building is no more than 24 inches from the curb or the edge of road surface.



APPROVED: _____
Duane S. Olson, Fire Chief

DATE: _____